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Beachy et al.

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Sir:

This amendment is being filed in response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed August 24, 2001, in connection with the above application. Please enter the following amendments:

In the claims:

For the convenience of the Examiner, all claims being examined, whether or not amended, are presented below.

3. (Twice Amended) A method for inhibiting activation of a *hedgehog-patched* pathway in a patient diagnosed with a ~~hyperproliferative disorder~~, comprising administering to the patient a composition comprising a purified hedgehog antagonist in a sufficient amount to reduce the activation of the *hedgehog-patched* pathway in a cell of the patient, wherein the antagonist is a